Before Starting the CoC Application

You must submit all three of the following parts in order for us to consider your Consolidated Application complete:

- 1. the CoC Application,
- 2. the CoC Priority Listing, and
- 3. all the CoC's project applications that were either approved and ranked, or rejected.

As the Collaborative Applicant, you are responsible for reviewing the following:

- 1. The FY 2022 CoC Program Competition Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for specific application and program requirements.
- 2. The FY 2022 CoC Application Detailed Instructions which provide additional information and guidance for completing the application.
- 3. All information provided to ensure it is correct and current.
- 4. Responses provided by project applicants in their Project Applications.
- 5. The application to ensure all documentation, including attachment are provided.

Your CoC Must Approve the Consolidated Application before You Submit It

- 24 CFR 578.9 requires you to compile and submit the CoC Consolidated Application for the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition on behalf of your CoC.
- 24 CFR 578.9(b) requires you to obtain approval from your CoC before you submit the Consolidated Application into e-snaps.

Answering Multi-Part Narrative Questions

Many questions require you to address multiple elements in a single text box. Number your responses to correspond with multi-element questions using the same numbers in the question. This will help you organize your responses to ensure they are complete and help us to review and score your responses.

Attachments

Questions requiring attachments to receive points state, "You Must Upload an Attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen." Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed-including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. Include a cover page with the attachment name.

- Attachments must match the questions they are associated with-if we do not award points for evidence you upload and associate with the wrong question, this is not a valid reason for you to

appeal HÚD's funding determination.

- We must be able to read the date and time on attachments requiring system-generated dates and times, (e.g., a screenshot displaying the time and date of the public posting using your desktop calendar; screenshot of a webpage that indicates date and time).

1A. Continuum of Care (CoC) Identification

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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1A-1. CoC Name and Number: MD-509 - Frederick City & County CoC

1A-2. Collaborative Applicant Name: City of Frederick

1A-3. CoC Designation: CA

1A-4. HMIS Lead: City of Frederick

1B. Coordination and Engagement–Inclusive Structure and Participation

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| 1B-1. | Inclusive Structure and Participation–Participation in Coordinated Entry. |
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| | NOFO Sections VII.B.1.a.(1), VII.B.1.e., VII.B.1.p., and VII.B.1.r. |
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| | In the chart below for the period from May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022: |
| 1. | select yes or no in the chart below if the entity listed participates in CoC meetings, voted—including selecting CoC Board members, and participated in your CoC's coordinated entry system; or |
| 2. | select Nonexistent if the organization does not exist in your CoC's geographic area: |

| | Organization/Person | Participated in CoC Meetings | Voted, Including Electing CoC Board Members | Participated in CoC's Coordinated Entry System |
|-----|--|------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1. | Affordable Housing Developer(s) | Yes | Yes | No |
| 2. | Agencies serving survivors of human trafficking | Yes | Yes | No |
| 3. | CDBG/HOME/ESG Entitlement Jurisdiction | Yes | Yes | No |
| 4. | Disability Advocates | Yes | Yes | No |
| 5. | Disability Service Organizations | Yes | Yes | No |
| 6. | EMS/Crisis Response Team(s) | No | No | No |
| 7. | Homeless or Formerly Homeless Persons | Yes | Yes | No |
| 8. | Hospital(s) | No | No | No |
| 9. | Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tri Organizations) | Nonexistent | No | No |
| 10. | Law Enforcement | Yes | Yes | No |
| 11. | Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBTQ+) Advocates | Yes | Yes | No |
| 12. | LGBTQ+ Service Organizations | Yes | Yes | No |
| 13. | Local Government Staff/Officials | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 14. | Local Jail(s) | No | No | No |
| 15. | Mental Health Service Organizations | Yes | Yes | No |
| 16. | Mental Illness Advocates | Yes | Yes | No |
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| 17. | Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color | No | No | No |
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| 18. | Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons | Yes | Yes | No |
| 19. | Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities | Yes | Yes | No |
| 20. | Other homeless subpopulation advocates | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 21. | Public Housing Authorities | No | No | No |
| 22. | School Administrators/Homeless Liaisons | Yes | Yes | No |
| 23. | State Domestic Violence Coalition | No | No | No |
| 24. | State Sexual Assault Coalition | No | No | No |
| 25. | Street Outreach Team(s) | Yes | Yes | No |
| 26. | Substance Abuse Advocates | Yes | Yes | No |
| 27. | Substance Abuse Service Organizations | Yes | Yes | No |
| 28. | Victim Service Providers | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 29. | Domestic Violence Advocates | Yes | Yes | No |
| 30. | Other Victim Service Organizations | No | No | No |
| 31. | Youth Advocates | Yes | No | No |
| 32. | Youth Homeless Organizations | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| 33. | Youth Service Providers | Yes | No | No |
| | Other: (limit 50 characters) | | • | • |
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By selecting "other" you must identify what "other" is.

| 1B-2. | Open Invitation for New Members. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.(2) |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC: |
| 1. | communicated a transparent invitation process annually (e.g., communicated to the public on the CoC's website) to solicit new members to join the CoC; |
| 2. | ensured effective communication with individuals with disabilities, including the availability of accessible electronic formats; |
| 3. | invited organizations serving culturally specific communities experiencing homelessness in the geographic area to address equity (e.g., Black, Latino, Indigenous, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities). |

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Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative (FCCCC) is comprised of individuals, government agencies, faith-based organizations, nonprofit and community-based organizations that share a common concern for the needs of Frederick County's residents who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Our bylaws contain the policy to ensure community-wide commitment and participation. Annually, the CoC plans a public campaign to recruit new members, especially underrepresented stakeholders. The FCCCC continues to identify partners that can bring expertise and capacity to the CoC to better address the needs of the area's homeless and housing vulnerable populations. The CoC extends invitations throughout the year via public postings, e-mail "blasts", social media, phone calls and targeted outreach. If there is a board vacancy, additional outreach is done to fill the vacant position.

- 2) The CoC uses a variety of outreach methods, including electronic communications (email, web, social media). It also follows best practices for accessibility.
- 3) Special outreach efforts are conducted at homeless shelters, soup kitchens, and on the streets to encourage persons experiencing homelessness, housing vulnerability, or the formerly homeless to join the CoC or to attend CoC meetings. Since 1983, the FCCCC membership has expanded to include more diverse organizations that support culturally specific populations. Through community collaborative partnerships and the Notice of Funding Opportunity, local organizational and community leaders are welcomed to participate in FCCCC efforts.

| 1B-3. | CoC's Strategy to Solicit/Consider Opinions on Preventing and Ending Homelessness. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.(3) |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC: |
| 1. | solicited and considered opinions from a broad array of organizations and individuals that have knowledge of homelessness, or an interest in preventing and ending homelessness; |
| 2. | communicated information during public meetings or other forums your CoC uses to solicit public information; and |
| 3. | took into consideration information gathered in public meetings or forums to address improvements or new approaches to preventing and ending homelessness. |

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- 1) The FCCCC is committed to implementing a Collective Impact model and intentionally seeks a range of perspectives and members with varying skills and competencies to ensure a wholistic approach when establishing committees & work groups. Our membership includes providers, persons with lived experience (including youth), business, health, government, housing, education, the faith community, and others. There are opportunities to collect information through other avenues as well. For example, our community recently completed a transportation study. Our homeless and housing vulnerable population was able to share how their housing situation impacted their transportation options.
 2) All FCCCC meetings are publicized through email to the CoC membership, media and the full list of non-profits participating in community-wide Collective Impact projects. Information is also posted to our website, the City of Frederick-the collaborative applicant and other CoC partners.
- 3) The CoC reviews all information gathered in public meetings and forums to inform innovative strategies that reduce and prevent homelessness. Currently, FCCCC is prioritizing strategies and will develop defined work-plans that guide its work for the next 12-18 months. The specific tasks developed for the workplan are monitored by a committee.

| 1B-4. | Public Notification for Proposals from Organizations Not Previously Awarded CoC Program Funding. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.a.(4) |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC notified the public: |
| 1. | that your CoC will consider project applications from organizations that have not previously received CoC Program funding; |
| 2. | about how project applicants must submit their project applications-the process; |
| 3. | about how your CoC would determine which project applications it would submit to HUD for funding; and |
| 4. | how your CoC effectively communicated with individuals with disabilities, including making information accessible in electronic formats. |

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- The CoC continues to expand its outreach to organizations that have not previously sought funding. CoC members personally contact these agencies and encourage them to apply. Nonprofit organizations are notified that the NOFO is open for funding applications from all applicants, including those that have not previously received funding, via email, on United Way of Frederick County's website, at monthly CoC meetings, and it is also posted on the website of The City of Frederick (the local government that serves as the Collaborative Applicant). The FCCCC communicates the funding priorities in the notification, which include Housing First Approaches, systemic responses to homelessness, strategic allocation of resources, Rapid Rehousing, and Permanent Supportive Housing. Applications are submitted via email to FCCCC executive team members by the established deadline. The CoC grants committee reviews all letters of intent according to the established ranking process and submits recommendations to the full CoC board of directors. The FCCCC Grants Oversight and Review Committee reviews all applications to ensure they meet the minimum standards to be included in the CoC Competition process. The public is notified that they are able to attend this meeting.
- 2. In the public notice which is posted on United Way and The City of Frederick's website as well as distributed via email to all Frederick nonprofits by the local Community Foundation of Frederick, it is stated that both new and renewal projects are welcomed.
- 3. FCCCC announced the CoC application process on all major social media platforms including The City of Frederick Website and Partner websites such as United Way.
- 4. FCCCC regularly updates social media and city website.
- 5. The Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative posted the NOFA, resources, and all deadlines electronically on the United Way website and distributed the same information to more than 3,000 individuals and businesses in Frederick County.

1C. Coordination and Engagement

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| 1C-1. | Coordination with Federal, State, Local, Private, and Other Organizations. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.b. |
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| | In the chart below: |
| 1. | select yes or no for entities listed that are included in your CoC's coordination, planning, and operations of projects that serve individuals, families, unaccompanied youth, persons who are fleeing domestic violence who are experiencing homelessness, or those at risk of homelessness; or |
| 2. | select Nonexistentif the organization does not exist within your CoC's geographic area. |

| | Entities or Organizations Your CoC Coordinates with for Planning or Operations of Projects | Coordinates with the Planning or Operations of Projects? |
|-----|---|--|
| 1. | Funding Collaboratives | Yes |
| 2. | Head Start Program | No |
| 3. | Housing and services programs funded through Local Government | Yes |
| 4. | Housing and services programs funded through other Federal Resources (non-CoC) | Yes |
| 5. | Housing and services programs funded through private entities, including Foundations | Yes |
| 6. | Housing and services programs funded through State Government | Yes |
| 7. | Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) | No |
| 8. | Housing and services programs funded through U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) | No |
| 9. | Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) | No |
| 10. | Indian Tribes and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHEs) (Tribal Organizations) | No |
| 11. | Organizations led by and serving Black, Brown, Indigenous and other People of Color | No |
| 12. | Organizations led by and serving LGBTQ+ persons | Yes |
| 13. | Organizations led by and serving people with disabilities | Yes |
| 14. | Private Foundations | Yes |
| 15. | Public Housing Authorities | No |
| 16. | Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY) | Yes |
| 17. | Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) | Yes |
| | Other:(limit 50 characters) | |

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| 1C-2. | CoC Consultation with ESG Program Recipients. |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.b. |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC: |
| 1. | consulted with ESG Program recipients in planning and allocating ESG and ESG-CV funds; |
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| ۷. | participated in evaluating and reporting performance of ESG Program recipients and subrecipients; |
| 3. | provided Point-in-Time (PIT) count and Housing Inventory Count (HIC) data to the Consolidated |
| | Plan jurisdictions within its geographic area; and |
| 4. | provided information to Consolidated Plan Jurisdictions within your CoC's geographic area so it |
| | could be addressed in Consolidated Plan update. |

- 1) The CoC actively consults with all local ESG recipients and subrecipients in order to provide input on local ESG planning, performance standards, allocations, and the evaluation of outcomes for ESG-funded activities. There are no ESG entitlement jurisdictions within the CoC; therefore, the providers apply to the local government (i.e., The City of Frederick), which then applies to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for ESG funding. The City of Frederick's Department of Housing and Human Services and four (4) subrecipients all receive ESG funding, participate in planning efforts, and establish priorities for ESG-funded services.
- 2) The City of Frederick is the local government applicant and recipient for ESG funding in Frederick (city) and Frederick County, Maryland. The Department of Housing and Human Services provides direct homeless services and performs annual monitoring on four (4) sub-recipient providers. In turn, The City of Frederick's Department of Housing and Human Services is then monitored and evaluated by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. HHS, the collaborative applicant, will be responsible for compiling CoC data and reviewing outcomes of sub-grantees. In monthly FCCCC board meetings, subgrantees will discuss their data, intended and achieved outcomes, and consult with FCCCC board members regarding best practices and ideas for increasing impact. Data collected amongst local organizations will be reviewed to evaluate program outcomes and to determine gaps in services.
- 3) Previous HIČ and PIT data was presented to the FCCCC board members to be considered in the Consolidated Plan.
- 4) The City of Frederick, which is also the CA, communicates regularly with the FCCCC. The municipality's Consolidated Plan was recently completed and was shared with the CoC. The CA also shares CAPER data, annual statistics, and other pertinent data.

| 1C-3. | Ensuring Families are not Separated. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.c. | |
| | Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ensures emergency shelter, |] |
| | transitional housing, and permanent housing (PSH and RRH) do not deny admission or separate family members regardless of each family member's self-reported sexual orientation and gender identity: | |

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| 1. | Conducted mandatory training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated. | Yes |
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| 2. | Conducted optional training for all CoC- and ESG-funded service providers to ensure families are not separated. | Yes |
| 3. | Worked with ESG recipient(s) to adopt uniform anti-discrimination policies for all subrecipients. | Yes |
| 4. | Worked with ESG recipient(s) to identify both CoC- and ESG-funded facilities within your CoC's geographic area that might be out of compliance and took steps to work directly with those facilities to bring them into compliance. | Yes |
| 5. | Sought assistance from HUD by submitting AAQs or requesting technical assistance to resolve noncompliance of service providers. | No |
| 6. | Other. (limit 150 characters) | |
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1C-4. CoC Collaboration Related to Children and Youth–SEAs, LEAs, School Districts.

NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the entities your CoC collaborates with:

| 1. | Youth Education Provider | Yes |
|----|------------------------------|-----|
| 2. | State Education Agency (SEA) | Yes |
| 3. | Local Education Agency (LEA) | Yes |
| 4. | School Districts | Yes |

| 1C-4a. | Formal Partnerships with Youth Education Providers, SEAs, LEAs, School Districts. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.d. | |

Describe in the field below the formal partnerships your CoC has with at least one of the entities where you responded yes in question 1C-4.

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The policy of the CoC is to delegate to member organizations the screening and referral processes for determining eligibility of educational services for youth and families. Each school in Frederick County has a Community liaison who arranges and coordinates support activities for unaccompanied youth and students experiencing homelessness to ensure immediate registration and access to services including transportation to the school of origin and tutoring. Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership (SHIP) works with the Community Liaisons to disseminate information to youth and their families regarding available services in Frederick.

Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership (SHIP) is the CoC's primary collaborator to the LEA (Frederick County Public Schools) represented on the CoC's Board of Directors. Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership (SHIP) and Frederick County Public Schools work under the guidelines of the McKinney-Vento Act to ensure the rights of children and youth who experience homelessness are safely housed and have equal opportunities to succeed in school. This year, SHIP applied and was chosen to submit a new RRH application for this competition based on the increasing number of young people experiencing homelessness and/or housing vulnerability.

The Student Services Department maintains at least one Community Liaison in each of the 68 schools and these liaisons are responsible for identifying youth and families experiencing homelessness and connecting them to applicable CoC service providers. The CoC, through service provider, Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership (SHIP) of Frederick County, works intimately via a MOU with the LEA in providing access to community resources (primarily food, new clothing, transportation, tutoring, medical and mental health resources) for youth experiencing homelessness, Pre-K through 12th Grade. SHIP's New Horizons program provides full-time trauma-informed case managers on the provider's payroll who maintain regular office hours in multiple high schools, providing direct service to teens experiencing homelessness. Two additional case managers have been recently added to the New Horizons with American Rescue Plan funding.

1C-4b. Informing Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness about Eligibility for Educational Services.

NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.

Describe in the field below written policies and procedures your CoC adopted to inform individuals and families who become homeless of their eligibility for educational services.

(limit 2,500 characters)

FCCCC policies require that all CoC providers who work with families with children or unaccompanied youth establish protocols for communicating with families at entry about continuing their child's education, including their eligibility for educational services, and meet with relevant school personnel in the appropriate school district(s) to discuss issues children are experiencing that may impact their education. The CoC will provide ongoing training and support to the members on how to better serve student and their families (if applicable).

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1C-4c. Written/Formal Agreements or Partnerships with Early Childhood Services Providers. NOFO Section VII.B.1.d.

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC has written formal agreements or partnerships with the listed providers of early childhood services:

| | | MOU/MOA | Other Formal Agreement |
|-----|--|---------|------------------------|
| 1. | Birth to 3 years | No | No |
| 2. | Child Care and Development Fund | No | No |
| 3. | Early Childhood Providers | No | No |
| 4. | Early Head Start | Yes | Yes |
| 5. | Federal Home Visiting Program–(including Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home and Visiting or MIECHV) | No | No |
| 6. | Head Start | Yes | Yes |
| 7. | Healthy Start | No | No |
| 8. | Public Pre-K | No | No |
| 9. | Tribal Home Visiting Program | No | No |
| | Other (limit 150 characters) | | |
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| 1C-5. | Addressing Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors–Collaborating with Victim Service Providers. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.e. | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC regularly collaborates with organizations who help provide housing and services to survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking to: | |
| 1. | update CoC-wide policies; and | |
| 2. | ensure all housing and services provided in the CoC are trauma-informed and can meet the needs of survivors. | |

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC works to ensure that training on trauma-informed care, particularly as it relates to serving survivors is available to CoC project staff. The CoC's DV provider, Heartly House has a certified trauma-informed care trainer on staff who provides formal training on trauma-informed care to partner agencies.

The CoC promotes local and state training opportunities on topics including addiction, harm reduction, mental health first aid, landlord tenant law, and VAWA. The CoC shares webinar trainings from national partners such as HUD, SAMHSA, CSH, and the National Resource Center on DV and strongly encourages providers to participate. The coalition is committed to identifying and delivering more comprehensive training to its members.

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| 1C-5a. | Annual Training on Safety and Best Practices to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.e. | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC coordinates to provide training for: | |
| 1. | project staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma-informed, victim-centered) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually); and | |
| 2. | Coordinated Entry staff that addresses best practices (e.g., trauma informed care) on safety and planning protocols in serving survivors of domestic violence and indicate the frequency of the training in your response (e.g., monthly, semi-annually). | |

The CoC makes every effort to coordinate with victim and non-victim service providers to ensure that survivors of domestic violence are provided housing and supportive services that maintain individualized safety and security needs. Heartly House, a CoC Member, is the primary point of entry for victims of domestic violence and is accessed through the Heartly House 24-hour hotline. Heartly House, is a member of the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence (MNADV). This statewide advocacy and leadership organization provides ongoing training and technical assistance to its members on best practices in the field. MNADV provides specific trainings on best practices including trauma-informed care, Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES), etc., that are offered throughout the year to Network members and other community partners.

The organization also supports the CoC by sharing the latest findings in the field. Heartly House employs three Outreach staff that provide training throughout the community on topics such as DV 101, safety-planning, and trauma informed care for DV victims. While trainings are currently being accessed by CoC members and their staff including coordinated entry staff, the CoC will be expanding training offerings to CoC members and community partners. The comprehensive approach will ensure that members will implement a trauma-informed approach when delivering services to those who use services. The Residential Services Director at Heartly House also provides one-on-one case consultation to members of the CoC regarding customized safety plans for victims, safe access to shelter and other Heartly House services, and working from a trauma-informed approach. This allows for better coordination of services between providers.

| 1C-5b. Using De-identified Aggregate Data to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors. | | |
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| NOFO Section VII.B.1.e. | | |
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| | Describe in the field below: | |
| 1. | the de-identified aggregate data source(s) your CoC uses for data on survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and | |
| 2. | how your CoC uses the de-identified aggregate data described in element 1 of this question to evaluate how to best meet the specialized needs related to domestic violence and homelessness. | |

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The DV agency provides de-identified aggregate data reports from its HMIS-comparable Apricot database regarding needs and services provided to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. This data allows for the CoC to better understand the needs of DV clients. Local Police agencies also share a wide range of statistics and other available data regarding domestic violence and human trafficking with the CoC. This data is incorporated into local needs assessments and plans.

There is a local Human Trafficking Response Team that includes representatives from many agencies including 6 law enforcement agencies, State's Attorney, CPS/DSS, Heartly House, and the hospital system that meet regularly to review current data trends and anecdotal case issues. This group has developed response protocols using local service data and best practice information. This data is used by the CoC to inform its decisions about the types – and how many units – of housing are needed for survivors and what types of services are needed to stabilize survivors in housing.

| 1C-5c. Communicating Emergency Transfer Plan to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors. | | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.e. | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC communicates to all individuals and families seeking or receiving CoC Program assistance: | |
| 1. | the emergency transfer plan policies and procedures; and | |
| 2. | the process for individuals and families to request an emergency transfer. | |

(limit 2,500 characters)

The FCCCC is sensitive to the lived experience of all people presenting for services and ensure that DV services are trauma-informed and try to prevent revictimization. The priority is that the client is escorted to safety. Our protocols want to ensure safety protocols. The local police have been trained on the area's Coordinated Entry process, and we are continuously evaluating partnerships to improve service delivery. Locally, we are working towards improving our system to include cultural competency, trauma-informed care, person-centered and transitions to meet the complex needs of individuals.

| 1C-5d. Access to Housing for Survivors of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking. | | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.e. | |

Describe in the field below how your CoC ensures that survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking have access to all of the housing and services available within the CoC's geographic area.

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FCCCC Policies and Procedures are in compliance with HUD's regulations that state that "CoC organizations must be compliant with the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Final Rule (81 FR

80798), ... and must comply with the CoC's emergency transfer plan under 24 CFR 578.7(d)". The CoC uses HUD's VAWA Emergency Transfer form and has an Emergency Transfer Plan that includes eligibility, request documentation, confidentiality, timing and availability, and safety and security of tenants. The CoC provides annual training on the use of the Emergency Transfer Plan for all providers. Survivors are referred to agencies for housing priority anonymously, providing direct access to the full range of housing and services without jeopardizing safety or confidentiality.

| 1C-5e. | Including Safety, Planning, and Confidentiality Protocols in Coordinated Entry to Address the Needs of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Survivors. | |
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| NOFO Section VII.B.1.e. | | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry includes: | |
| 1. | safety protocols, | |
| 2. | planning protocols, and | |
| 3. | confidentiality protocols. | |

(limit 2,500 characters)

Local service providers ensure and maintain the safety, security and "client choice" of clients/survivors by maintaining strict client confidentiality and privacy; utilizing a single domestic violence access point (i.e., Heartly House) for assessment and system entry; and by using a domestic violence hotline, which is also directly operated by heartly House. If a victim in placement identifies safety concerns, CoC partners must follow the emergency transfer plan within the policies and procedures. The location of the emergency shelter is maintained confidential as required by federal and state legislation. Safe and confidential locations are

standard protocols for assessment, intake, and referrals. CoC programs inform victims that they have the right to refuse disclosure of their information in HMIS and may refuse to allow the CoC to share their information among providers, and that information is only shared with dated written consent. Providers are prohibited from denying assistance if the victim exercises these rights.

| 1C-6. | | Addressing the Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer+–Anti-Discrimination Policy and Training. | |
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| | | NOFO Section VII.B.1.f. | |
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| | 1. | Did your CoC implement a written CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination? | Yes |
| | 2. | Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement the Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity (Equal Access Final Rule)? | No |
| | 3. | Did your CoC conduct annual CoC-wide training with providers on how to effectively implement Equal Access in Accordance With an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs (Gender Identity Final Rule)? | No |

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| 1C-6a. | Anti-Discrimination Policy–Updating Policies–Assisting Providers–Evaluating Compliance–Addressing Noncompliance. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.f. |
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| | Describe in the field below: |
| 1. | whether your CoC updates its CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy, as necessary, based on stakeholder feedback; |
| 2. | how your CoC assisted providers in developing project-level anti-discrimination policies that are consistent with the CoC-wide anti-discrimination policy ensuring that LGBTQ+ individuals and families receive supportive services, shelter, and housing free from discrimination; |
| 3. | your CoC's process for evaluating compliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies; and |
| 4. | your CoC's process for addressing noncompliance with your CoC's anti-discrimination policies. |

The FCCCC is committed to providing housing and services in an environment in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity and with equal treatment and opportunity. The CoC's Anti-Discrimination Policies and Procedures ensure all people experiencing homelessness in the CoC have equal access to the housing and services necessary to end homelessness. The Anti-Discrimination Policies and Procedures adhere to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Equal Access and to works to ensure all providers in the CoC are committed to complying with all non-discrimination and privacy law. CoC providers shall not discriminate based on any protected characteristic, including race, ethnicity, color, national origin, language, ancestry, religion, sex, familial status, age, gender identity, LGBTQ+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer/questioning, etc.) status, marital status, domestic or sexual violence victim status, or sensory, mental, or physical disability.

| 1C-7. | Public Housing Agencies within Your CoC's Geographic Area–New Admissions–General/Limited Preference–Moving On Strategy. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.g. | |

You must upload the PHA Homeless Preference\PHA Moving On Preference attachment(s) to the 4B. Attachments Screen.

Enter information in the chart below for the two largest PHAs highlighted in gray on the FY 2021 CoC-PHA Crosswalk Report or the two PHAs your CoC has a working relationship with—if there is only one PHA in your CoC's geographic area, provide information on the one:

| Public Housing Agency Name | Enter the Percent of New Admissions into Public Housing and Housing Choice Voucher Program During FY 2021 who were experiencing homelessness at entry | Does the PHA have a General or Limited Homeless Preference? | Does the PHA have a Preference for current PSH program participants no longer needing intensive supportive services, e.g., Moving On? |
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| Housing Authority of the City of Frederick | 20% | Yes-Public Housing | No |
| Frederick County Department of Housing & Community Development | 21% | No | No |

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| 1C-7a. | 1C-7a. Written Policies on Homeless Admission Preferences with PHAs. | |
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| | Describe in the field below: | |
| 1. | steps your CoC has taken, with the two largest PHAs within your CoC's geographic area or the two PHAs your CoC has working relationships with, to adopt a homeless admission preference—if your CoC only has one PHA within its geographic area, you may respond for the one; or | |
| 2. | state that your CoC has not worked with the PHAs in its geographic area to adopt a homeless admission preference. | |

- 1) The Housing Authority of the City of Frederick (HACF) has adopted a "homeless preference" for Public Housing only; this has been very advantageous for homeless families and adults as well as service providers. Although the HACF does not have a homeless preference on Housing Choice Vouchers (HCVs), the HACF designated ten (10) HCVs for chronically homeless persons enrolled in a local Housing First Program. The CoC is working with the HACF to apply a homeless preference to their Housing Choice Voucher application process beginning 2023-2024.
- 2) Not applicable.

| 1C-7b. | Moving On Strategy with Affordable Housing Providers. | |
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Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate affordable housing providers in your CoC's jurisdiction that your recipients use to move program participants to other subsidized housing:

| 1. | Multifamily assisted housing owners | No |
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| 2. | РНА | Yes |
| 3. | Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) developments | Yes |
| 4. | Local low-income housing programs | |
| | Other (limit 150 characters) | |
| 5. | Housing Choice Vouchers | Yes |

| 1C-7c | Include Units from PHA Administered Programs in Your CoC's Coordinated Entry. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.g. | |

In the chart below, indicate if your CoC includes units from the following PHA programs in your CoC's coordinated entry process?

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| 1. | Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV) | Yes | | |
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| 2. | Family Unification Program (FUP) | No | | |
| 3. | Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) | Yes | | |
| 4. | HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) | No | | |
| 5. | Mainstream Vouchers | No | | |
| 6. | Non-Elderly Disabled (NED) Vouchers | No | | |
| 7. | Public Housing | No | | |
| 8. | Other Units from PHAs: | | | |
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| 1C-/d | I. Submitting CoC and PHA Joint Applications for Funding for People Experiencing Homelessnes | SS | | |
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| 1 | . Did your CoC coordinate with a PHA(s) to submit a competitive joint application(s) for funding or jointly implement a competitive project serving individuals or families experiencing homelessness (e.g., applications for mainstream vouchers, Family Unification Program (FUP), other programs)? | No | | |
| | | Program Funding Source | | |
| 2 | t. Enter the type of competitive project your CoC coordinated with a PHA(s) to submit a joint application for or jointly implement. | | | |
| 1C-7e | Coordinating with PHA(s) to Apply for or Implement HCV Dedicated to Homelessness Including Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV). | 3 | | |
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| Vo | d your CoC coordinate with any PHA to apply for or implement funding provided for Housing Choi suchers dedicated to homelessness, including vouchers provided through the American Rescue an? | ice Yes | | |
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| 1C-7e.1 | . List of PHAs with Active MOUs to Administer the Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Program | i. | | |
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| Doe EHV | s your CoC have an active Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with any PHA to administer th / Program? | No No | | |
| If yo | u select yes to question 1C-7e.1., you must use the list feature below to enter the name of every your CoC has an active MOU with to administer the Emergency Housing Voucher Program. | | | |
| PHA | | | | |
| This list contains no items | | | | |
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1D. Coordination and Engagement Cont'd

| 10 | -1. Discharge Planning Coordination. | | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.h. | | |
| | Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate whether your CoC actively coordinates with the systems of care listed to ensure persons who have resided in them longer than 90 days are not discharged directly to the streets, emergency shelters, or other homeless assistance programs. | | |
| 1. Foster Care | Yes | | |
| 2. Health Care | Yes | | |
| 3. Mental Health Care | Yes | | |
| 4. Correctional Facilities | Yes | | |
| 10 | -2. Housing First–Lowering Barriers to Entry. NOFO Section VII.B.1.i. | | |
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| 1 | Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2022 CoC Program Competition. | | |
| | Enter the total number of new and renewal CoC Program-funded PSH, RRH, SSO non-coordinated entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects your CoC is applying for in FY 2022 CoC Program Competition that have adopted the Housing First approach. | | |
| 3. This number is a calculation of the percentage of new and renewal PSH, RRH, SSO non-Coordinated Entry, Safe-Haven, and Transitional Housing projects the CoC has ranked in its CoC Priority Listing in the FY 2022 CoC Program Competition that reported that they are lowering barriers to entry and prioritizing rapid placement and stabilization to permanent housing. | | d 100% | |
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| 1D- | 2a. Project Evaluation for Housing First Compliance. | | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.i. | | |
| | Describe in the field below: | | |
| | how your CoC evaluates every recipient–that checks Housing First on their Project Application–determine if they are actually using a Housing First approach; | to | |
| | 2. the list of factors and performance indicators your CoC uses during its evaluation; and | | |
| | 3. how your CoC regularly evaluates projects outside of the competition to ensure the projects are using a Housing First approach. | | |
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The FCCCC is dedicated to Housing First principles and makes it a priority for all projects funded by the CoC to demonstrate a commitment to Housing First. All projects must also provide low-barrier access to services. The CoC is currently expanding its monitoring of the programs to ensure that the Housing First model is being implemented. Program partners will be asked to provide intake and termination policies as well as implementation plans. If a project is found to not be adhering to Housing First principles, they will be provided with technical assistance.

| 1D-3 | Street Outreach-Scope. | |
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| | Describe in the field below: | |
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| 1. | your CoC's street outreach efforts, including the methods it uses to ensure all persons experiencing unsheltered homelessness are identified and engaged; | |
| 2. | whether your CoC's Street Outreach covers 100 percent of the CoC's geographic area; | |
| 3. | how often your CoC conducts street outreach; and | |
| 4. | how your CoC tailored its street outreach to persons experiencing homelessness who are least likely to request assistance. | |

- 1) Street outreach is performed by The Department of Housing and Human Services, which is also a sub-grantee of the CoC and other CoC partners. Outreach takes places throughout the community, including downtown Frederick, at the hospital emergency department, homeless campsites, public libraries, wooded areas, soup kitchens, day shelters, and at other locations throughout Frederick County. Outreach staff from various partners receive training in best practices for supporting those who experience homelessness including trauma-informed care, de-escalation, empathy, active listening, and positive behavioral approaches. Information provided to homeless residents include resources for housing, mental, behavioral and physical health, food insecurities, transportation, and other basic needs (i.e., clothing, toiletries).
- 2) These outreach efforts cover 100% of the CoC's geographic area.
- 3) Street outreach occurs at least weekly and upon request of the local police department, local residents, and crisis workers.
- 4) While street outreach attempts to connect people to services, we focus our efforts on working with persons who are reluctant to engage with services, are living with mental illness, and who are actively using illegal substances. Outreach efforts have increased, although more difficult to implement due to the increases of opioids and synthetic cannabinoids usage. HHS staff log their outreach encounters into the HMIS system, discuss encounters in bi-weekly case management meetings, and track services and outcomes provided to persons who experience homelessness. Moving forward, HHS is looking to implement a GIS system and expand outreach efforts to evening and weekend hours, which will increase data collection and follow-up.

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Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate strategies your CoC implemented to ensure homelessness is not criminalized and to reverse existing criminalization policies in your CoC's geographic area:

| | | Ensure Homelessness is not Criminalized | Reverse Existing Criminalization Policies |
|----|---|---|--|
| 1. | Engaged/educated local policymakers | Yes | Yes |
| 2. | Engaged/educated law enforcement | Yes | Yes |
| 3. | Engaged/educated local business leaders | Yes | Yes |
| 4. | Implemented community wide plans | Yes | Yes |
| 5. | Other:(limit 500 characters) | | |
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| 1D-5. Rapid Rehousing–RRH Beds as Reported in the Housing Inventory Count (HIC). | | |
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| Enter the total number of RRH beds available to serve all populations as reported in the HIC-only enter bed data for projects that have an inventory type of "Current." | 38 | 122 |

1D-6. Mainstream Benefits-CoC Annual Training of Project Staff.

NOFO Section VII.B.1.m.

Indicate in the chart below whether your CoC trains program staff annually on the following mainstream benefits available for program participants within your CoC's geographic area:

| | | CoC Provides Annual Training? |
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| 1. | Food Stamps | Yes |
| 2. | SSI–Supplemental Security Income | Yes |
| 3. | TANF-Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | Yes |
| 4. | Substance Abuse Programs | Yes |
| 5. | Employment Assistance Programs | Yes |
| 6. | Other (limit 150 characters) | |
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| 1D-6a. Information and Training on Mainstream Benefits and Other Assistance. | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC: |
| 1. | systemically provides up-to-date information on mainstream resources available for program participants (e.g., Food Stamps, SSI, TANF, substance abuse programs) within your CoC's geographic area; |
| 2. | works with project staff to collaborate with healthcare organizations, including substance abuse treatment and mental health treatment, to assist program participants with receiving healthcare services; and |
| 3. | works with projects to promote SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access, and Recovery (SOAR) certification of program staff. |

The staff from the Frederick County Department of Social Services, the Social Security Administration, Frederick County Health Department, the Veterans Administration, and other CoC partners continuously work to increase access to mainstream benefits such as Medicare, SSI/SSDI, Social Security, SNAP Food Vouchers, WIC, and TANF. The City of Frederick's Department of Housing and Human Services operates the SOAR program and is an Application Counselor Sponsoring Entity under the Affordable Care Act. The SOAR program includes funding to help individuals access birth records, IDs, and other vital records. The Department of Housing and Human Services partners with Frederick County's Behavioral Health Services to provide access to substance use disorder, mental health, harm reduction, and peer support services. CoC staff are updated at monthly CoC meetings, circulated program material updates, and frequent email notifications regarding program changes. There are currently 3 CoC organizations that assist Frederick residents with enrolling in health insurance: the City of Frederick, Department of Social Services, and The Frederick County Health Department.

The Federally Qualified Health Center is operated by the City of Frederick's HHS and accepts numerous Medicaid programs to provide primary health care services. Our services work collaboratively to support strategic efforts to increase access to mainstream services. Through the partnership, program recipients can access information for TDAP, Food Stamp benefits and other ancillary services.

| 1D-7. | Increasing Capacity for Non-Congregate Sheltering. | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC is increasing its capacity to provide non-congregate | |

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FCCCC will continue our work to find alternative strategies for non-congregate shelter options in our community. Tentatively, the following have been identified as gaps within our current system:

- Access to affordable units in market
- Need for scale and fidelity across all interventions, including Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Rehousing, and Rental Assistance
- Need to expand focus on diversion and prevention strategies
- Strategies for addressing encampments and unsheltered homelessness
- •Rehousing people out of non-congregate shelters/hotels

The CoC will work with its partners to assist with implementation of the identified strategies. This may include improving individual assessment tools, designing new rental assistance models, etc.

| ID-8. Partnerships with Public Health Agencies–Collaborating to Respond to and Prevent Spread of Infectious Diseases. | | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.o. | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC effectively collaborates with state and local public health agencies to: | |
| 1. develop CoC-wide policies and procedures to respond to infectious disease outbreaks; and | | |
| prevent infectious disease outbreaks among people experiencing homelessness. | | |

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Early in the pandemic, the FCCCC began developing written policies, protocols and standards put into place across the CoC in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The CoC also worked to meet the safety needs of staff and households living unsheltered, in congregate shelter and in housing programs. This included additional cleaning and sanitizing protocols, use of PPE, and supplies and protocol to test for symptoms.

Additionally, the CoC worked with local partners to provide the following to the unsheltered individuals. These services included: outreach – provided individuals with food, PPE, blankets, hygiene supplies; health care – COVID screening, testing, and vaccinations along with primary health care; housing – placed unsheltered individuals in local hotel with meal delivery and case management services; case management services – case managers obtained Birth Certificates same-day for individuals experiencing homelessness since the local Office of Vital Statistics at the local health department was closed to the public due to COVID; food and nutrition – delivered meals to individuals experiencing homelessness that were placed at the local motel; toileting facilities – provided access to portable toileting facilities at local shelter; and transportation – transported individuals to local motel for quarantine.

| ID-8a. | Collaboration With Public Health Agencies on | | | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC effeinfectious disease outbreaks among program | ectively equipped providers to prevent participants by: | or limit | |
| 1. sharing information related to public health measures and homelessness, and | | | | |
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2. facilitating communication between public health agencies and homeless service providers to ensure street outreach providers and shelter and housing providers are equipped to prevent or limit infectious disease outbreaks among program participants.

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The CoC developed policies and procedures for infection control readiness and preparation in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and these policies are permanent and will be reviewed and updated on an ongoing basis going forward to ensure the CoC is prepared in the event of other public health emergencies. Furthermore, the CoC recognizes the need for an organizational Disaster Preparedness Plan to address a future mass public health event.

Some examples of improved readiness include: flexible reduction in program capacity to allow for social distancing in a manner that is safe for clients and staff, yet works to remain responsive to the community's need for support, implementation of temporary physical plant changes to support safety for staff and clients, establishment of new policies and procedures for all programs to maintain hygiene and personal safety at necessary levels, purchase, and installation of disinfection equipment across the CoC, and incorporation of additional infection control procedures for client screenings into the intake process. Development of public safety and infection

control policies and procedures will follow directives from the CDC and State of Maryland Department of Health.

Virtual communication protocols are currently be developed and implemented to ensure CoC membership and clients have effective methods of sharing information and operational continuity.

| 1D-9. Centralized or Coordinated Entry System–Assessment Process. | | |
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| NOFO Section VII.B.1.p. | | |
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| Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system: | | |
| 1. | covers 100 percent of your CoC's geographic area; | |
| uses a standardized assessment process; and | | |
| 3. | is updated regularly using feedback received from participating projects and households that participated in coordinated entry. | |

Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative (FCCCC) will use Coordinated Entry System within 100% of the CoC's geographic area to operate within the requirements of HUD Notice CPD-17-01 under the authority of HUD 24 CFR 578.7(a)(8), which mandates that the coordinated entry process be developed to ensure that families and individuals who are in most need of assistance receive fair and equal access to resources, including mainstream resources.

In accordance with the HEARTH Act and other applicable HUD regulations, centralized and decentralized Coordinated Assessment for homeless families and individuals will be performed by member agencies of the Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative (FCCCC). Through Coordinated Assessment, an emphasis will be placed on:

- Helping families and individuals to move through the homeless service system faster by assessing needs and linking people with the correct resources as quickly as possible;
- Reducing new entries into homelessness by consistently offering prevention and diversion resources upfront, thereby reducing the number of people entering the homeless service system unnecessarily; and
- Improving data collection and quality and providing accurate information on what kind of assistance consumers need.

Coordinated Assessment is comprised of a five-step process: 1) Access through Lead Agencies; 2) Assessment of Client Needs; 3) Prioritization of Clients; and 4) Referrals to Other Resources; 5) Move On strategies.

The FCCCC is currently establishing a Coordinated Entry Committee that will evaluate the Coordinated Entry System-Assessment process regularly to analyze effectiveness and to identify areas for improvement. Semi-annually, system performance benchmarks will be examined to monitor adherence to SPMs. Annual evaluations will be completed using participants surveys, HMIS data and/or data from other Coordinated Entry systems and provider interviews.

| 1D-9a. | Program Participant-Centered Approach to Centralized or Coordinated Entry. | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC's coordinated entry system: | |
| 1. | reaches people who are least likely to apply for homeless assistance in the absence of special outreach; | |
| 2. | prioritizes people most in need of assistance; | |
| 3. | ensures people most in need of assistance receive permanent housing in a timely manner, consistent with their preferences; and | |
| 4. | takes steps to reduce burdens on people using coordinated entry. | |

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The FCCCC uses a Universal Intake Application and the Vulnerability Index Form. This allows partners to prioritize clients for services. Our community's No Wrong Door policies and outreach collectively prioritizes the needs of Frederick residents. If an individual or family is identified and is unable to access any of the Coordinated Entry locations, Case Managers from partnering agencies will provide outreach to the individual or family to complete the assessment. Street outreach provided by Housing and Human Services along with other partnering agencies are able to reach individuals and families that are disengaged from services by offering low-barrier access to available programs. The CoC prioritizes those that are the most vulnerable including unsheltered, veterans, and most disengaged from services. The CoC is working to improve its coordinated entry process to reduce the burden on those clients who need the system.

| 1D- | 10. Promoting Racial Equity in Homelessness–Conducing Assessment. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.q. | |
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| 1. | Has your CoC conducted a racial disparities assessment in the last 3 years? | No |
| 2. | Enter the date your CoC conducted its latest assessment for racial disparities. | |
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| 1D-1 | Oa. Process for Analyzing Racial Disparities–Identifying Racial Disparities in Provision or Outcomes of Homeless Assistance. | |
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| | Describe in the field below: | |
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| | your CoC's process for analyzing whether any racial disparities are present in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance; and | |

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The FCCC is committed to developing policies and procedures to improve equity and access in the community in regards to homeless services. Recently, CoC partners were surveyed to identify which agencies have using data to improve the delivery of services to address racial disparities.

While the CoC did not conduct it's own racial disparities assessment, it has participated in the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) Racial Equity Plan. MWCOG seeks to address key, interrelated challenges and social determinants that adversely impact individuals and families. The Council has identified housing as one of its key priorities. To date, the MWCOG is looking to possibly provide additional funding and technical support for the implementation of its Equity Framework.

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| 1D-10b. | Strategies to Address Racial Disparities. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.q. | |

Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate the strategies your CoC is using to address any racial disparities.

| 1. | The CoC's board and decisionmaking bodies are representative of the population served in the CoC. | Yes |
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| 2. | The CoC has identified steps it will take to help the CoC board and decisionmaking bodies better reflect the population served in the CoC. | Yes |
| 3. | The CoC is expanding outreach in geographic areas with higher concentrations of underrepresented groups. | Yes |
| 4. | The CoC has communication, such as flyers, websites, or other materials, inclusive of underrepresented groups. | Yes |
| 5. | The CoC is training staff working in the homeless services sector to better understand racism and the intersection of racism and homelessness. | Yes |
| 6. | The CoC is establishing professional development opportunities to identify and invest in emerging leaders of different races and ethnicities in the homelessness sector. | No |
| 7. | The CoC has staff, committees, or other resources charged with analyzing and addressing racial disparities related to homelessness. | No |
| 8. | The CoC is educating organizations, stakeholders, boards of directors for local and national nonprofit organizations working on homelessness on the topic of creating greater racial and ethnic diversity. | Yes |
| 9. | The CoC reviewed coordinated entry processes to understand their impact on people of different races and ethnicities experiencing homelessness. | Yes |
| 10. | The CoC is collecting data to better understand the pattern of program use for people of different races and ethnicities in its homeless services system. | Yes |
| 11. | The CoC is conducting additional research to understand the scope and needs of different races or ethnicities experiencing homelessness. | No |
| | Other:(limit 500 characters) | |
| 12. | | |

| 1D-10c. | Actions Taken to Address Known Disparities. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.q. | |

Describe in the field below the steps your CoC and homeless providers have taken to address disparities identified in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Last year, the Frederick CoC recently joined the Metropolitan Council of Government's Racial Equity Design and Implementation initiative, represented by CoCs in Maryland, Washington DC, and Northern Virginia, to understand and improve upon efforts to address racial disparities for individuals and families who experience homelessness. The intended outcomes are to collectively strategize methods of attaining equal access to services such as housing, health care, education, employment, and benefits. The initiative will release its findings report soon that will include recommendations for CoCs to address racial disparities in homeless programming.

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| 1D-10d. | Tracking Progress on Preventing or Eliminating Disparities. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.q. | |

Describe in the field below the measures your CoC has in place to track progress on preventing or eliminating disparities in the provision or outcomes of homeless assistance.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC will be requesting that all CoC members to have DEI policies within each agency. There is also a need to use data to improve service delivery for more equity-based work to be infused into day-to-day provider operations. Because each partner agency has a different level of capacity, the ability to track outcomes will vary based on individual implementation. The CoC will assist members with tools, resources and implementation support. The pandemic highlighted the need for addressing these needs. Discussions were driven in part by the homeless system response to COVID-19.

| Involving Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness in Service Delivery and Decisionmaking–CoC's Outreach Efforts. | |
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| NOFO Section VII.B.1.r. | |

Describe in the field below your CoC's outreach efforts (e.g., social media announcements, targeted outreach) to engage those with lived experience of homelessness in leadership roles and decision making processes.

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC is committed to establishing a more equitable and impactful homeless assistance system and leadership understands that having the input of those with lived experience is essential. CoC partners regularly share and encourage those who utilize services to participate. Flyers, social media posts, and other methods of engagement are employed to encourage participation. The use of virtual meetings has increased access for those who want to learn and share. The CoC understands that there may be barriers for participation. It will be looking for ways to address these barriers, which may include culturally appropriate and linguistically accessible materials, providing training and other supports to engage the target population.

| 1D-11a. | Active CoC Participation of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.r. | |

Enter in the chart below the number of people with lived experience who currently participate in your CoC under the five categories listed:

| | Level of Active Participation | Number of People with Lived Experience Within the Last 7 Years or Current Program Participant | Number of People with Lived Experience Coming from Unsheltered Situations |
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| 1 | Included and provide input that is incorporated in the local planning process. | 3 | 0 |
| 2 | Review and recommend revisions to local policies addressing homelessness related to coordinated entry, services, and housing. | 3 | 0 |

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| 3. | Participate on CoC committees, subcommittees, or workgroups. | 1 | 0 |
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| 4. | Included in the decisionmaking processes related to addressing homelessness. | 1 | 0 |
| 5. | Included in the development or revision of your CoC's local competition rating factors. | 2 | 0 |

| 1D-11b. | 1D-11b. Professional Development and Employment Opportunities for Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.r. | |

Describe in the field below how your CoC or CoC membership organizations provide professional development and employment opportunities to individuals with lived experience of homelessness.

(limit 2,500 characters)

Several of the CoC members provide on-site support to those experiencing homelessness. These include posting job opportunities, help with job searches, and provide resume training. The CoC also partners with local businesses and organizations to connecting those experiencing homelessness with job opportunities. The CoC has developed a partnership with the Workforce Investment Board to establish persons experiencing homelessness as a priority population for employment services. Frederick County WorkForce Services provides computer classes, job fairs, mock interviews, resume preparation, job search activities, and job placement. Services from the Maryland Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning and offers specialized services for veterans and youth seeking Employment and we provide free transportation.

| 1D-11c. | Routinely Gathering Feedback and Addressing Challenges of Individuals with Lived Experience of Homelessness. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.r. | |
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| | Describe in the field below how your CoC: | |
| 1. | how your CoC routinely gathered feedback from people experiencing homelessness and people who have received assistance through the CoC or ESG program on their experience receiving assistance; and | |
| 2. | the steps your CoC has taken to address challenges raised by people with lived experience of homelessness | |

(limit 2,500 characters)

The CoC relies heavily on providers to identify and encourage persons with lived experience to join the CoC. Flyers are shared for posting at various locations. Throughout most of the pandemic, meetings have been held virtually and partners were encouraged to make technology available to clients so they could participate in meetings. The CoC regularly solicits input from persons with lived experience through surveys and focus groups on various topics. The CoC invites organizations located in communities of color and those who work with populations who are overrepresented in the homeless system to be a part of the CoC. The CoC also invites organizations working with persons with disabilities to participate and share survey data with the CoC.

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| 1D-12. | Increasing Affordable Housing Supply. |
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| NOFO Section VII.B.1.t. | |
| | Describe in the field below at least 2 steps your CoC has taken in the past 12 months that engage city, county, or state governments that represent your CoC's geographic area regarding the following: |
| 1. | reforming zoning and land use policies to permit more housing development; and |
| 2. | reducing regulatory barriers to housing development. |

The Department of Housing and Human Services has developed a new division and one of its goals is the need to increase the affordable housing supply in Frederick County. HHS, as the City of Frederick liaison, engages with County, Housing Authority, and other community stakeholder groups regarding affordable housing initiatives, including working with developers to create affordable housing. Some of the initiatives include providing incentive programs and waiving specific regulations for new or development projects.

1E. Project Capacity, Review, and Ranking–Local Competition

 $\hbox{HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at \ CoC\ Program\ Competition\ to\ assist\ you\ in\ completing\ the\ CoC\ Application.\ Resources\ include:}$

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| 1E-1 | Web Posting of Your CoC's Local Competition Deadline–Advance Public Notice. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.2.a. and 2.g. | |
| | You must upload the Local Competition Deadline attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. | |
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| Er | nter the date your CoC published the deadline for project applicants to submit their applications to our CoC's local competition. | 08/17/2022 |
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| 1E-2 | 2. Project Review and Ranking Process Your CoC Used in Its Local Competition. We use the response to this question and the response in Question 1E-2a along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below. | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d. | |
| | You must upload the Local Competition Scoring Tool attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. |] |
| | Select yes or no in the chart below to indicate how your CoC ranked and selected project applications during your local competition: | |
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| 1. Es | stablished total points available for each project application type. | Yes |
| co | least 33 percent of the total points were based on objective criteria for the project application (e.g., st effectiveness, timely draws, utilization rate, match, leverage), performance data, type of epulation served (e.g., DV, youth, Veterans, chronic homelessness), or type of housing proposed .g., PSH, RRH). | Yes |
| ap | least 20 percent of the total points were based on system performance criteria for the project oplication (e.g., exits to permanent housing destinations, retention of permanent housing, length of the homeless, returns to homelessness). | Yes |
| 4. Pr | ovided points for projects that addressed specific severe barriers to housing and services. | Yes |
| 5. Us | sed data from comparable databases to score projects submitted by victim service providers. | Yes |

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| 16 | E-2a. | Scored Project Forms for One Project from Your CoC's Local Competition. We use the response to this question and Question 1E-2. along with the required attachments from both questions as a factor when determining your CoC's eligibility for bonus funds and for other NOFO criteria below. | | |
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| | | NOFO Section VII.B.2.a., 2.b., 2.c., and 2.d. | | |
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| | | You must upload the Scored Forms for One Project attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. | | |
| | | Complete the chart below to provide details of your CoC's local competition: | | |
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| 1. | Wha | at were the maximum number of points available for the renewal project form(s)? | | 35 |
| 2. | Hov | v many renewal projects did your CoC submit? | | 3 |
| 3. | Wha | at renewal project type did most applicants use? | PH-PSH | |
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| 16 | E-2b. | Addressing Severe Barriers in the Local Project Review and Ranking Process. | | |
| | | NOFO Section VII.B.2.d. | | |
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| | | Describe in the field below: | | |
| | 1. | how your CoC collected and analyzed data regarding each project that has successfully housed program participants in permanent housing; | | |
| | 2. | how your CoC analyzed data regarding how long it takes to house people in permanent housing; | | |
| | 3. | how your CoC considered the specific severity of needs and vulnerabilities experienced by program participants preventing rapid placement in permanent housing or the ability to maintain permanent housing when your CoC ranked and selected projects; and | | |
| | 4. | considerations your CoC gave to projects that provide housing and services to the hardest to serve populations that could result in lower performance levels but are projects your CoC needs in its geographic area. | | |
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The grants committee, who reviews and ranks each project paid close attention to the severity of needs and vulnerabilities of the populations being served. The CoC puts emphasis on the Housing First model and all projects are required to accept individuals and families with little to no income, substance abuse history, mental health history, chronic homelessness, and DV survivors. Data provided by each project was analyzed and ranked based on vulnerabilities.

The CoC's ranking and selection process prioritizes funding for projects serving these specific vulnerabilities: chronic homelessness, zero income, criminal history, active substance use, psychiatric/physical disability, IDD, and unsheltered homelessness. Data collected from partners, community stakeholders, and government sources are used to identify how successful the CoC has been in meeting its SPMs and identifying service gaps.

During the review, rating, and ranking process, the CoC ranked and selected based on applicant experience/capacity to serve the target population; a clear outreach and supportive services plan to engage and serve the most vulnerable populations using the Housing First model. Evaluation standards for renewal projects differ for PSH from RRH given the higher need population in PSH (e.g., chronically homeless people with significant behavioral/physical health issues). Projects are scored objectively using these standards and HUD's ranking and rating tool.

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| 1E-3. | Promoting Racial Equity in the Local Competition Review and Ranking Process. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.2.e. |
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| | Describe in the field below: |
| 1. | how your CoC obtained input and included persons of different races, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population; |
| 2. | how the input from persons of different races, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, affected how your CoC determined the rating factors used to review project applications; |
| 3. | how your CoC included persons of different races, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, in the review, selection, and ranking process; and |
| 4. | how your CoC rated and ranked projects based on the degree to which their project has identified any barriers to participation (e.g., lack of outreach) faced by persons of different races and ethnicities, particularly those over-represented in the local homelessness population, and has taken or will take steps to eliminate the identified barriers. |

- 1 & 2) The CoC's Grants and Oversight Committee is looking for ways to improve its data collection process around racial equity issues. The committee was unable to obtain comprehensive input from persons of different races when determining the rating factors used to review project applications. The rating and ranking of projects were determined upon their past performance and the severity of needs and vulnerabilities of the homeless population at large.
- 3) The CoC evaluated and prioritized the ranking of applications that addressed racial inequality amongst populations of persons who experience homelessness. Moving forward, the CoC has committed to participating in the Racial Equity Design and Implementation initiative with the support of the Metropolitan Council of Government. The intended outcomes will support efforts for including input from persons of different races over-represented within the homeless population.
- 4) The CoC did not specifically take into account identified barriers to participation as part of the rating and ranking process.

| 1E-4. | Reallocation–Reviewing Performance of Existing Projects. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.2.f. |
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| | Describe in the field below: |
| 1. | your CoC's reallocation process, including how your CoC determined which projects are candidates for reallocation because they are low performing or less needed; |
| 2. | whether your CoC identified any projects through this process during your local competition this year; |
| 3. | whether your CoC reallocated any low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year; and |
| 4. | why your CoC did not reallocate low performing or less needed projects during its local competition this year, if applicable. |

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The CoC's Grants and Oversight Committee identified the unmet needs of unaccompanied youth in the community and more supportive services. During this year's competition, two new projects were identified. The committee used HUD's ranking and rating tools to guide the review of both renewals and new applications.

During the year's competition, the review committee decided to reallocate some funding to a new project to address youth homelessness based on data identifying an increased need in our community.

| 1 Ŀ-4 a. | Reallocation Between FY 2017 and FY 2022. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.2.f. | |
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| | Did your CoC cumulatively reallocate at least 20 percent of its ARD between FY 2017 and FY 2022? | No |
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| · | E-5. Projects Rejected/Reduced-Notification Outside of e-snaps. | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.2.g. | |
| | You must upload the Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. | |
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| 1. | Did your CoC reject or reduce any project application(s)? | Yes |
| 2. | Did your CoC inform applicants why their projects were rejected or reduced? | Yes |
| 3. If you selected Yes for element 1 of this question, enter the date your CoC notified applicants that their project applications were being rejected or reduced, in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2022, 06/27/2022, and 06/28/2022, then you must enter 06/28/2022. | | 09/20/2022 |
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| 1E | NOFO Section VII.B.2.g. You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified | 09/20/2022 |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.2.g. You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified | 09/20/2022 |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.2.g. You must upload the Notification of Projects Accepted attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. Enter the date your CoC notified project applicants that their project applications were accepted and ranked on the New and Renewal Priority Listings in writing, outside of e-snaps. If you notified applicants on various dates, enter the latest date of any notification. For example, if you notified applicants on 06/26/2022, 06/27/2022, and 06/28/2022, then you must enter 06/28/2022. | 09/20/2022 |

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| 1E-5c. 1 | 1E-5c. Web Posting | of CoC-Approved Consolidated Application. | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.2 | ** | |
| | You must upload the Attachments Screen. | Web Posting-CoC-Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. | |
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| | | Notification to Community Members and Key Stakeholders that the CoC-Approved Consolidated Application is Posted on Website. | |
| | | NOFO Section VII.B.2.g. | |
| | I | You must upload the Notification of CoC- Approved Consolidated Application attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. | |
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2A. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation

HUD publishes resources on the HUD.gov website at CoC Program Competition to assist you in completing the CoC Application. Resources include:

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| 2A-1 | HMIS Vendor. | | | | |
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| 27(1) | Not Scored–For Information Only | | | | |
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| Ent | er the name of the HMIS Vendor your CoC is o | currently using. | WellSky ServicePoint | | |
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| 2A-2. | HMIS Implementation Coverage Area. | | | | |
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| Sele | ect from dropdown menu your CoC's HMIS co | verage area. | Single CoC | | |
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| 2A-3. | HIC Data Submission in HDX. | | | | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.3.a. | | | | |
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| Ent | Enter the date your CoC submitted its 2022 HIC data into HDX. | | | | |
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| 2A-4. | Comparable Database for DV Providers-CoC | and HMIS Lead Supporting Data Col | lection and | | |
| | Data Submission by Victim Service Providers | · | | | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.3.b. | | | | |
| | In the field below: | | | | |
| | | nue taken to engure DV/ housing and a | on doo | | |
| 1. | describe actions your CoC and HMIS Lead have taken to ensure DV housing and service providers in your CoC collect data in databases that meet HUD's comparable database requirements; and | | | | |
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| 2. | state whether your CoC is compliant with the | 2022 HMIS Data Standards. | | | |

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Heartly House continues to use Apricot for Victim Services software by Social Solutions Global since 2017. The CoC and HMIS Lead worked closely with the CoC's DV crisis shelter and RRH provider in the upgrade of their comparable database to ensure it collects all the same data elements required in the HUD 2020 Data Standards and has the same reporting capabilities. The CoC and HMIS Lead continue to work closely with the DV provider to ensure there is an understanding of all of the HUD data elements and appropriate responses to ensure consistency with the CoC's HMIS and non-DV providers.

2) The CoC receives de-identified aggregated project performance measures data from the DV provider for each DV project in its comparable database. This data aligns with system performance measures, such as exits to permanent housing and increases in income, in that it measures these same things, just at the project, rather than system, level. Per HUD FAQ ID 2880, "Victim service provider projects do not enter client-level data into their HMIS. These projects must enter their data into a comparable database, and therefore will not be included in any calculation of system coverage or in any data for the system performance measures." However, the CoC does use the de-identified project level data that it receives from the DV comparable database to evaluate the effectiveness of the CoC's DV projects and received assurance from the comparable database vendor that it would create any reports that are required by HUD.

| 2A-5. | Bed Coverage Rate-Using HIC, HMIS Data-CoC Merger Bonus Points. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.3.c. and VII.B.7. | |

Enter 2022 HIC and HMIS data in the chart below by project type:

| Project Type | Total Beds 2022 HIC | Total Beds in HIC Dedicated for DV | Total Beds in HMIS | HMIS Bed Coverage Rate |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Emergency Shelter (ES) beds | 234 | 29 | 230 | 112.20% |
| 2. Safe Haven (SH) beds | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 3. Transitional Housing (TH) beds | 68 | 0 | 61 | 89.71% |
| 4. Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) beds | 122 | 9 | 113 | 100.00% |
| 5. Permanent Supportive Housing | 62 | 0 | 62 | 100.00% |
| 6. Other Permanent Housing (OPH) | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

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| 2A-5a. | Partial Credit for Bed Coverage Rates at or | Below 84.99 for Any Project Type in Qu | lestion 2A-5. |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.3.c. | | |
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| | For each project type with a bed coverage r describe: | rate that is at or below 84.99 percent in o | question 2A-5, |
| 1. | steps your CoC will take over the next 12 m percent for that project type; and | onths to increase the bed coverage rate | e to at least 85 |
| 2. | how your CoC will implement the steps des | cribed to increase bed coverage to at le | ast 85 percent. |
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| 2A-6. | Longitudinal System Analysis (LSA) Submission in HDX 2.0. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.3.d. | |

| Did your CoC submit LSA data to HUD in HDX 2.0 by February 15, 2022, 8 p.m. EST? | Yes |
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2B. Continuum of Care (CoC) Point-in-Time (PIT) Count

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| 2B-1. | PIT Count Date. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.4.b | |
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| Ent | er the date your CoC conducted its 2022 PIT count. | 01/26/2022 |
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| 2B-2. | PIT Count Data–HDX Submission Date. | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.4.b | |
| | | _ |
| Ent | er the date your CoC submitted its 2022 PIT count data in HDX. | 05/05/2022 |
| | | 1 |
| 2B-3. | PIT Count–Effectively Counting Youth. | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.4.b. | |
| | | _ |
| | Describe in the field below how during the planning process for the 2022 PIT count your CoC: |] |
| 1. | engaged stakeholders that serve homeless youth; | 1 |
| 2. | involved homeless youth in the actual count; and | 1 |
| 3. | worked with stakeholders to select locations where homeless youth are most likely to be identified. | 1 |
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The CoC engages a variety of partners to address homeless youth in our community. Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership (SHIP) is the lead agency responsible for working with this population. SHIP has funding from Emergency Solutions Grant. – Recent funding from the CARES Act, allowed for the launch of the Rapid Rehousing Program for youth participants. There are also biweekly workgroups for statewide Rapid Rehousing providers which SHIP participates in regularly. CoC members refer youth to SHIP's Thrive Host Home Program provides host homes for use as emergency shelters. The Ausherman Family Foundation (AFF) has been one of the primary funding sources for SHIP's Host Home Program. The Host Home Program received a multi-year grant from AFF, and that funding is flexible and able to assist host home participants to transition into Rapid Rehousing as their permanent housing plan.

CoC partners across the county work to identify locations where homeless youth may congregate and share this information with SHIP and other providers to assist these youth. No youth were involved in the actual count.

| 2B-4. | PIT Count–Methodology Change–CoC Merger Bonus Points. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.5.a and VII.B.7.c. |
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| | In the field below: |
| 1. | describe any changes your CoC made to your sheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2021 and 2022, if applicable; |
| 2. | describe any changes your CoC made to your unsheltered PIT count implementation, including methodology or data quality changes between 2021 and 2022, if applicable; and |
| 3. | describe how the changes affected your CoC's PIT count results; or |
| 4. | state "Not Applicable" if there were no changes or if you did not conduct an unsheltered PIT count in 2022. |

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The most recent Point-in-Time Survey for both sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations was conducted on January 26, 2022. Brand new to Frederick County was the implementation of a Mobile Survey App through Survey123 which eliminated the need to conduct surveys with individuals on paper. By using this new survey app, all data collected in Frederick County was able to be sent instantly to the ArcGIS Community Hub which included a realtime dashboard that updated each time a survey was completed. There was also location option added to the survey, which was able to pinpoint the exact location in which any survey took place, and then transfer this to a map showing which areas in the county had the highest concentration of homeless individuals. DHHS staff was then able to pull the data collected from the site to input to the report sent to HUD, which drastically reduced the time and streamlined the process of collecting all the data from participating providers in the county. It also eliminated the need for participating providers to have to input separately each of their data on a spreadsheet that would then be sent to DHHS staff for the final report submission. Whenever possible, surveys were to be completed directly with people experiencing homelessness. For the 2022 PIT Count, most of this information was collected, however due to using a new system to collect data, some data was captured or extrapolated. This is something Frederick County will need to address and update for the 2023 PIT Count. There were limited volunteers used to assist with the PIT Count for 2022, again due to the COVID pandemic and protocols, and once again all community participators were asked to use their own in-house staff to complete surveys.

2C. System Performance

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| 2C-1. | Reduction in the Number of First Time Homeless–Risk Factors Your CoC Uses. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.5.b. |
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| | In the field below: |
| 1. | describe how your CoC determined the risk factors to identify persons experiencing homelessness for the first time; |
| 2. | describe your CoC's strategies to address individuals and families at risk of becoming homeless; and |
| 3. | provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness for the first time |

- 1) The CoC utilizes a number of tools to identify those risk factors that correlate to first time homeless clients (e.g., best predictors). Risk factors are also identified through the Universal Intake Application and the Vulnerability Index Form used by partners in the CoC Top risk factors identified include, mental illness and SUD, marital breakdown, DV, transitions in/out of institutional care settings, affordability of housing and employment status, intellectual and developmental disabilities IDD), history of evictions, incarceration and/or hospitalization 90 days plus, low social economic status, and young age with history of adversity and trauma.
- 2) The CoC is considering the establishment of a new county-led housing workgroup to address and identify specific resources to reduce first time homelessness. Several agencies are applying for additional funding that would supplement inadequate housing subsidies and additional supports to mitigate these risk factors.
- 3) The FCCCC is responsible for designing and implementing strategies to address the changing needs of the homeless population. The CoC's executive committee assumes responsibility for identifying and implementing the CoC's strategies.

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| 2C-2. | Length of Time Homeless–CoC's Strategy to Reduce. |
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| NOFO Section VII.B.5.c. | |
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| | In the field below: |
| 1. | describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and persons in families remain homeless; |
| 2. | describe how your CoC identifies and houses individuals and persons in families with the longest lengths of time homeless; and |
| 3. | provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the length of time individuals and families remain homeless. |

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- 1. Last year, the CoC has coordinated 2 initiatives:
- A. The local PHA has provided The City of Frederick with 10 Housing Choice Vouchers to be used for Housing First. The CoC is identifying other opportunities for additional funding through HUD, DHCD and local foundations for additional Housing First units.
- B. Advocates for Homeless Families and The Religious Coalition for Emergency Needs provide Rapid Rehousing through ESG funding and were able to increase the number of RRH slots for the CoC through the use of ESG CV funding.
- 2. The CoC uses a Vulnerability Assessment Tool to identify and prioritize housing those who have experienced homelessness the longest.
- 3. The Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative chaired by Ken Oldham, Executive Director of United Way of Frederick is responsible for oversight. Mr. Oldham chairs a 22-member Board of Directors dedicated to decreasing homelessness and the length of time that anyone is homeless.

| 2C-3. | Exits to Permanent Housing Destinations/Retention of Permanent Housing–CoC's Strategy |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.5.d. |
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| | In the field below: |
| 1. | describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in emergency shelter, safe havens, transitional housing, and rapid rehousing exit to permanent housing destinations; |
| | describe your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and persons in families residing in permanent housing projects retain their permanent housing or exit to permanent housing destinations; and |
| 3. | provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase the rate that individuals and families exit to or retain permanent housing. |

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1. The CoC's strategy to continue these successful outcomes is inter-agency collaboration, intensive case management, adherence to a Housing First model, and quarterly monitoring using HUD's System Performance Measures. The Religious Coalition opened a new 45 bed family shelter in early 2022. The CoC also increased the number of Rapid Re-Housing slots using ESG-CV funds in

2. The CoC's strategy to continue these successful outcomes is intensive case management, adherence to a Housing First model, and quarterly monitoring using HUD's System Performance Measures. The CoC is doing extremely well at helping persons to remain in permanent housing projects. Recidivism rates are tracked and monitored in HMIS. The CoC collaboratively delivers follow along services in partnership with The Housing Authority, who offers youth academic and social enrichment programs, healthy eating and gardening workshops to address food insecurities, child care, transportation, job training, internship programs, mentoring and professional networking.

During FY 2021, 27 people resided in Housing First programs with a 100% retention rate. During FY 2022, 27 resided in Housing First programs with a 100% retention rate with the exception of one resident becoming deceased. During FY 2021, 11 individuals resided in Permanent Supportive Housing programs. 36% (4 residents) were retained while 7 exited. Of those 7, 1 entered Subsidized Housing, 1 entered Housing First program, and 5 returned to homelessness. During FY 2022, 19 residents resided in Permanent Supportive Housing programs. 84% (16 residents) were retained, while 2 existed to Housing First programs and 1 resident passed away. Of all the residents who returned to homelessness, case management and outreach services continue to be offered.

3. The Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative chaired by Ken Oldham, Executive Director of United Way of Frederick is responsible for oversight. Mr. Oldham chairs a 22-member Board of Directors dedicated to decreasing homelessness and the length of time that anyone is homeless.

| 2C-4. | Returns to Homelessness–CoC's Strategy to Reduce Rate. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.5.e. |
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| | In the field below: |
| 1. | describe your CoC's strategy to identify individuals and families who return to homelessness; |
| 2. | describe your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate of additional returns to homelessness; and |
| 3. | provide the name of the organization or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to reduce the rate individuals and persons in families return to homelessness. |

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- 1. The CoC utilizes ServicePoint HMIS to monitor and record returns to homelessness by program participants who exit TH, PSH, and RRH programs. Information is captured real time within the HMIS system to include changes in participant benefits, housing stability, and other critical factors. When they leave a program, an Exit assessment is completed to document individual progression and their next housing destination.
- 2. To reduce the returns to homelessness, the CoC agencies will continue to work on increasing income for program participants by ensuring maximization of eligible benefits and/or competitive employment opportunities. CoC programs will also educate landlords on available case management services to assist program graduates that may be at risk of losing their housing. The goal is that through case management interventions, eviction will be a rare occurrence for program graduates. CoC partners work collaboratively to rehouse individuals and families who have reverted to homelessness as quickly as possible by making referrals to partnering organizations such as Public Housing, Rapid Rehousing, and private pay rentals. While housed, partnering organizations provide additional supportive services to ensure that residents remain stably housed. Finally, the CoC Grants and Oversight Committee will review individual program performance to identify any particular program with a higher frequency of program graduates returning to homelessness to re-prioritize CoC program objectives when necessary.
- 3. The Frederick County Coalition for the Homeless chaired by Ken Oldham, Executive Director of the United Way of Frederick is responsible for oversight.

| 2C-5. | Increasing Employment Cash Income–CoC's Strategy. |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.5.f. |
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| | In the field below: |
| 1. | describe your CoC's strategy to access employment cash sources; |
| 2. | describe how your CoC works with mainstream employment organizations to help individuals and families experiencing homelessness increase their cash income; and |
| 3. | provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase income from employment. |

1. The CoC has implemented the following strategies to increase the rate by which homeless individuals and families increase employment: A) developed a partnership with Frederick County WorkForce Services and B) emphasized attainment of higher education to increase income. Frederick County WorkForce Services provides computer classes, job fairs, mock interviews, seminars on resume preparation, job search activities, and job placement. Services from the Maryland Division of Workforce Development and Adult Learning, which offers specialized services for veterans and youth seeking employment. Free transportation to WorkForce Services is provided daily by The City of Frederick. Also, local providers and workforce services partners with Frederick Community College for vocational certifications and scholarships.

- 2. The main employment resource, Frederick County WorkForce Services, is a mainstream employment organization. Services providers also work with the Division of Rehabilitative Services specifically for persons who have a disability and are in need of funding supports including funding for education and job training and funding for reasonable employment accommodations.
- 3) The Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative chaired by Ken Oldham, Executive Director of the United Way of Frederick is responsible for oversight.

| 2C-5a. | Increasing Non-employment Cash Income–CoC's Strategy |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.5.f. |
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| | In the field below: |
| 1. | describe your CoC's strategy to access non-employment cash income; and |
| 2. | provide the organization name or position title that is responsible for overseeing your CoC's strategy to increase non-employment cash income. |

- 1. The CoC has implemented the following strategy to increase the rate by which individuals and families increase non-employment cash income:
 - •Emphasize attainment of higher education to increase income.
- •Increase access to mainstream benefits case managers refer program participants to DSS for programs such as SNAP benefits, TANF, and Medical Assistance.
- •The City of Frederick case managers assist individuals with applying for SSI/SSDI through the SOAR program.
- 2. Frederick County Department of Social Services allows individuals to apply for a number of benefits online. Case managers from all agencies assist clients in applying for a variety of benefits. For individuals needing to present in person, free transportation to DSS is provided daily by The City of Frederick.
- 3. The Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative chaired by Ken Oldham, Executive Director of the United Way of Frederick. The FCCC's executive committee is responsible for oversight of the CoC's strategies and implementing activities.

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3A. Coordination with Housing and Healthcare

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- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

| 3 | A-1. New PH-PS | SH/PH-RRH Project-L | everaging Housing Resources. | | |
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| | NOFO Sec | tion VII.B.6.a. | | | |
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| | Is your CoC app housing units w experiencing ho | hich are not funded the | SH or PH-RRH project that uses rough the CoC or ESG Programs | housing subsidies or subsidized s to help individuals and families | No |
| 3 | A-2. New PH-PS | SH/PH-RRH Project–L | everaging Healthcare Resources | s. | |
| | NOFO Sec | tion VII.B.6.b. | | | |
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| | | olying for a new PH-PS families experiencing I | SH or PH-RRH project that uses homelessness? | healthcare resources to help | No |
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| 3A-3. | Leveraging Hou | sing/Healthcare Reso | urces-List of Projects. | | |
| | NOFO Sections | VII.B.6.a. and VII.B.6 | .b. | | |
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| If you selected yes to questions 3A-1. or 3A-2., use the list feature icon to enter information about each project application you intend for HUD to evaluate to determine if they meet the criteria. | | | | | |
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3B. New Projects With Rehabilitation/New **Construction Costs**

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| 3B-1. | Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs-New Projects. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.s. | |
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| Is ye for t | our CoC requesting funding for any new project application requesting \$200,000 or more in funding nousing rehabilitation or new construction? | No |
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| 3B-2. | Rehabilitation/New Construction Costs-New Projects. | |
| | NOFO Section VII.B.1.s. | |
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| | If you answered yes to question 3B-1, describe in the field below actions CoC Program-funded project applicants will take to comply with: | |
| 1. | Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u); and | |
| 2. | HUD's implementing rules at 24 CFR part 75 to provide employment and training opportunities for low- and very-low-income persons, as well as contracting and other economic opportunities for businesses that provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons. | |

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3C. Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes

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| 3C-1. | 3C-1. Designating SSO/TH/Joint TH and PH-RRH Component Projects to Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes. | |
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| | NOFO Section VII.C. | |
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| proj | our CoC requesting to designate one or more of its SSO, TH, or Joint TH and PH-RRH component ects to serve families with children or youth experiencing homelessness as defined by other leral statutes? | No |
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| 3C-2. | Serving Persons Experiencing Homelessness as Defined by Other Federal Statutes. | |
| | NOFO Section VII.C. | |
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| | You must upload the Project List for Other Federal Statutes attachment to the 4B. Attachments Screen. | |
| | If you answered yes to question 3C-1, describe in the field below: | |
| 1. | how serving this population is of equal or greater priority, which means that it is equally or more cost effective in meeting the overall goals and objectives of the plan submitted under Section 427(b)(1)(B) of the Act, especially with respect to children and unaccompanied youth than serving the homeless as defined in paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of the definition of homeless in 24 CFR 578.3; and | |
| 2. | how your CoC will meet requirements described in Section 427(b)(1)(F) of the Act. | |

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4A. DV Bonus Project Applicants

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- Section 3 Resources;
- PHA Crosswalk; and
- Frequently Asked Questions

| 4A-1. | New DV Bonus Project Applications. | |
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| | NOFO Section II.B.11.e. | |

| | Did your CoC submit one or more new project applications for DV Bonus Funding? | No |
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| Applicant Name | | |
| | This list contains no items | |

4B. Attachments Screen For All Application Questions

We have provided the following guidance to help you successfully upload attachments and get maximum points:

| 1. | You must include a Document Description for each attachment you upload; if you do not, the Submission Summary screen will display a red X indicating the submission is incomplete. |
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| 2. | You must upload an attachment for each document listed where 'Required?' is 'Yes'. |
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| 4. | Attachments must match the questions they are associated with. |
| 5. | Only upload documents responsive to the questions posed–including other material slows down the review process, which ultimately slows down the funding process. |
| 6. | If you cannot read the attachment, it is likely we cannot read it either. |
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| | . We must be able to read everything you want us to consider in any attachment. |

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| 1C-7. PHA Homeless Preference | No | | |
| 1C-7. PHA Moving On Preference | No | | |
| 1E-1. Local Competition Deadline | Yes | Published Notific | 09/29/2022 |
| 1E-2. Local Competition Scoring Tool | Yes | Local Competition | 09/29/2022 |
| 1E-2a. Scored Renewal Project Application | Yes | DHHS Scored Renew | 09/29/2022 |
| 1E-5. Notification of Projects Rejected-Reduced | Yes | Notification of P | 09/29/2022 |
| 1E-5a. Notification of Projects Accepted | Yes | Notification of P | 09/29/2022 |
| 1E-5b. Final Project Scores for All Projects | Yes | Final Project Sco | 09/29/2022 |
| 1E-5c. Web Posting–CoC- Approved Consolidated Application | Yes | | |
| 1E-5d. Notification of CoC- Approved Consolidated Application | Yes | Notification of C | 09/29/2022 |
| 3A-1a. Housing Leveraging Commitments | No | | |

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| 3A-2a. Healthcare Formal Agreements | No | |
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| 3C-2. Project List for Other Federal Statutes | No | |

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| 1E. Project Review/Ranking | 09/29/2022 |
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| 2B. Point-in-Time (PIT) Count | 09/26/2022 |
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Frederick County Continuum Of Care Collaborative

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Making Homelessness Rare, Brief and Non-recurring

Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative (FCCCC) is comprised of individuals, government agencies, faith-based organizations, nonprofit and community-based organizations that share a common concern for the needs of Frederick County's residents who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The Collaborative works to evaluate the needs of our County's residents who are homeless, advocates for resources, and coordinates services to meet these needs.

In addition, the Collaborative serves as Frederick County's Continuum of Care and as the Local Management Board for the FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Program. The Collaborative is governed by a Board of Directors that includes executives from direct shelter services, as well as others representing groups or organizations.

Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative ICO United Way of Frederick County PO Box 207, Frederick MD 21705

FCCCC meets virtually at 2 p.m. on the last Wednesday of every month. Meetings are open to the public and each meeting will offer a specified time for public input. Voting is available only to members of the Board of Directors. Guests can receive a link to a FCCCC board meeting by contacting Joyce at jkwamena-poh@uwfrederick.org.

FUNDING NOTICE Application Available Here -- Deadline Extended

On August 1st, 2022, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) released the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Fiscal Year 2022 Continuum of Care Program Competition FR-6500-N-25.

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The Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative Grants Committee is accepting Notices of Intent (NOI) from any agency interested in funding to support new and existing projects through the Frederick County CoC process. New funding may be made available through the reallocation of existing monies or new bonus funding. Applicants who have not previously received CoC funding are encouraged to apply.

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- 2. Creating a systemic response to homelessness = The CoC will use performance measures such as the average length of homeless episodes, rates of return to homelessness, and other factors that determine the effectiveness of projects serving people experiencing homelessness. Additionally, the CoC is developing a Coordinated Entry process that promotes participant choice, coordinates homeless assistance, and supports mainstream housing service providers to ensure people experiencing homelessness receive assistance quickly, which results in obtaining and maintaining Housing, making the delivery of homeless assistance open, inclusive, and transparent.
- Strategically allocating and using resources = The CoC will critically evaluate all funding requests to ensure adequate resource allocation. This process must include a comprehensive project review, evaluation of project use of mainstream resources, leveraging additional community-based resources through partnerships, and reviewing the efficacy of transitional Housing.

New project proposals may request funding for the following types of activities:

- Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) projects will primarily serve chronically homeless individuals and/or families, including unaccompanied youth. This may
 include funding for acquisition, rehabilitation, new construction, rental assistance, leasing, services, or operating dollars. Projects may also request up to 7% in
 administrative funds.
- Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) for homeless individuals and/or families, including unaccompanied youth. Rapid rehousing projects may serve homeless households
 who do not have a disabling condition. Programs will need to serve only those living on the streets, in emergency shelters, or those fleeing domestic violence.
 Rapid Re-Housing projects may request short-term (1-3 months) or medium-term (3-24 months) rental assistance, service funding, and up to 7% administrative
 funding.
- Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing Component projects will combine Transitional Housing (TH) and Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH) into a single project to serve individuals and/or families experiencing homelessness.
- Supportive Services Only Projects for Coordinated Entry. Projects may request support services and up to 7% administrative funding to support a community-wide centralized/coordinated assessment process.
- HMIS. Projects may request funding for the costs associated with the HMIS user fees. This activity will only be considered a project component, not an
 independent project proposal.

Agencies interested in applying for both new and renewal funding, click here for the Intent to Submit Application HERE.

The original deadline of August 26 has been extended. Must submit a completed Notice of Intent to the Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative Grants Committee by no later than 11:59 p.m. on Monday, August 29, 2022.

Notice of Intent Applications are to be submitted as PDF by electronic mail to the following:

Elizabeth Day: b.day@frederickcountygives.org and B. Baker: bbaker@paideiapm.com

The CoC Grants Committee will notify agencies by September 12th, 2022. Final approved Letters of Intent will be posted online at least two days before the final application is submitted to HUD via eSnaps by the deadline date of September 20th, 2022.

Interested agencies and entities are strongly encouraged to review the HUD COC NOFO announcement in its entirety and the applicant threshold requirements before attending the Information Meeting. New project applications and applicants with experience serving Domestic Violence or Human Trafficking survivors are encouraged to apply. The funding announcement and additional information about the COC Program can be found on the HUD Exchange.

Application Available Here

Published Notification of CoC Local Competition-City of Frederick-Collaborative Applicant

https://www.cityoffrederickmd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/20305/Public-Notice-CoC-FY2022-revised-8-17-22?bidId=

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- 2. Creating a systemic response to homelessness The CoC will use performance measures such as the average length of homeless episodes, rates of return to homelessness, and other factors that determine the effectiveness of projects serving people experiencing homelessness. Additionally, the CoC is developing a Coordinated Entry process that promotes participant choice, coordinates homeless assistance, and supports mainstream housing service providers to ensure people experiencing homelessness receive assistance quickly, which results in obtaining and maintaining Housing, making the delivery of homeless assistance open, inclusive, and transparent.
- Strategically allocating and using resources The CoC will critically evaluate all funding requests to ensure adequate resource allocation. This process must include a comprehensive project review,

evaluation of project use of mainstream resources, leveraging additional community-based resources through partnerships, and reviewing the efficacy of transitional Housing.

New project proposals may request funding for the following types of activities:

- <u>Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH)</u> projects will primarily serve chronically homeless individuals and/or families, including unaccompanied youth. This may include funding for acquisition, rehabilitation, new construction, rental assistance, leasing, services, or operating dollars. Projects may also request up to 7% in administrative funds.
- Ranid Re-Housing (RRH) for homeless individuals and/or families, including unaccompanied
 youth. Rapid rehousing projects may serve homeless households who do not have a disabling condition.
 Programs will need to serve only those living on the streets, in emergency shelters, or those fleeing
 domestic violence. Rapid Re-Housing projects may request short-term (1-3 months) or medium-term (324 months) rental assistance, service funding, and up to 7% administrative funding.
- Joint Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing Component projects will combine Transitional Housing (TH) and Rapid Rehousing (PH-RRH) into a single project to serve individuals and/or families experiencing homelessness.
- <u>Supportive Services Only</u> Projects for Coordinated Entry. Projects may request support services
 and up to 7% administrative funding to support a community-wide centralized/coordinated assessment
 process.
- HMIS. Projects may request funding for the costs associated with the HMIS user fees. This
 activity will only be considered a project component, not an independent project proposal.

Agencies interested in applying for both new and renewal funding, click here for the Intent to Submit Application: CLICK HERE

Must submit a completed Notice of Intent to the Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative Grants Committee by no later than 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, August 28th, 2022.

Notice of Intent Applications are to be submitted as PDF by electronic mail to the following:

Elizabeth Day: b.day@frederickcountygives.org and B. Baker: bbaker@paideiapm.com

FY-22 HUD CoC Ranking and Rating Sheet

| Reviewer | | |
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| Name of | | |
| Application | | |
| Contact Person | | |
| Phone # | | |
| <u>Section</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Score</u> |
| Agency Capacity and Experience (30 points) | 1. Please describe your agency's experience in providing services for this project or comparable to the requested project (i.e., clients and projects similar in size, scope, # of yrs., and complexity) | |
| Project Description (50 points) | Briefly describe the project for which you are requesting funds (i.e. what priority/gaps is it addressing, population, services to be provided, staffing/client ratio, how will it reduce homelessness/housing vulnerability, etc.) | |
| | 2. Identify any partners/collaborators for the project and what supports they will provide | |
| Project Implementation (40 points) | Please describe your agency's participation in local homelessness activities/planning | |
| | 2. Please describe the proposed project's proposed outreach and enrollment plan, including referrals, alignment with the Coordinated Entry process, engaging hard to reach populations, etc. | |
| Housing First Philosophy (75 points) | Describe how the project will operationalize the Housing First model, including address barriers and how the project will address them | |
| | Please describe project admission and termination criteria | |
| Comments: | | |

MD 509

FY-22 HUD CoC Ranking and Rating Sheet

| Name of | City of Frederick | | | | | |
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| Application | DHHS Renewal Project | | | | | |
| Contact Person | Michele Ott | | | | | |
| Email & Phone # | mbarton@cityoffrederickmd.gov 301.600.3959 | | | | | |
| Section | <u>Description</u> | Average Score | | | | |
| Agency Capacity and Experience 5 points) | 1. Please describe your agency's experience in providing services for this project or comparable to the requested project (i.e., clients and projects similar in size, scope, # of yrs., and complexity) | 5 | | | | |
| Project Description (10 points) | Briefly describe the project for which you are requesting funds (i.e. what priority/gaps is it addressing, population, services to be provided, staffing/client ratio, how will it reduce homelessness/housing vulnerability, etc.) Identify any partners/collaborators for the project and what supports they will provide | 10 | | | | |
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| Bonus (5 points) | Detailed Workplan Attached | 5 | | | | |
| | Total Average Score | 34 | | | | |
| Comments: | The applicant has extensive experience in administering HUD and other federal p have sound fiscal policies and procedures and administrative systems that will en with HUD requirements. DHHS has been administering this PSH project for sever successfully delivered Housing First model programming for its participants. The adescribes its project and how it will ensure that it will meet HUD's performance n applicant has the staffing capacity and other resources to support program client | sure compliance al years and has applicant clearly neasure. The | | | | |

Notification of Denial-AACF FY 22 CoC Competition

ForeverFrederickCounty.org

On Tue, Sep 20, 2022 at 1:14 PM Betsy Day < b.day@cffredco.org> wrote: Hi Elizabeth -Thanks for applying for HUD Continuum of Care funding. I regret to inform you that the Frederick County Continuum of Care Collaborative, formerly known as the Frederick County Coalition for the Homeless, will not be recommending to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that Asian American Center's proposed Permanent Supportive Housing project be funded. Some feedback on your application includes: 1) the amount of funding was limited and requests were more than the available funding, meaning that difficult decisions had to be made; 2) your application did not meet the exact requirements for Permanent Supportive Housing; and 3) the committee had a difficult time understanding how the program was going to work. Babette Baker, copied on this email, is available to give advice on future applications, if you choose to apply. Thank you for applying and, while your application was not successful, please know that we are open to future conversations about AACF's participation in Continuum of Care funding. Betsy Elizabeth Y. Day Pronouns: she, her, hers President and CEO The Community Foundation of Frederick County 312 E. Church St., Frederick, MD 21701 301.695.7660 office \$ 240.315.7462 mobile b.day@FrederickCountyGives.org FrederickCountyGives.org

MD-509 FY-22 Final Notification of Project Award Amounts

From: Betsy Day <b.day@cffredco.org>
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 10:23 AM
To: Michelle@ffnpinc.org
Cc: bbaker paideiapm.com <bbaker@paideiapm.com>; Kenneth Oldham <koldham@uwfrederick.org>
Subject: CoC Funding

Dear CoC Project Applicant,

Thank you so much for applying for the FY 2023 HUD CoC Program. HUD identified \$631,033 as our Estimated Annual Renewal Demand amount, which is the number that the CoC is working with. (https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/CoC/FY-2022-CoC-Estimated-ARD-Report-rev.pdf)

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The committee does understand that this may impact existing programs and please know that making grant recommendations was extremely difficult this year based upon the stated need and available funding. The application submitted by your organization has the scoring rubric in each section heading for review.

Friend for Neighborhood Progress has been awarded \$84,479. If you have not already done so, please upload your project application into E-snaps by 4 pm, Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

Thank you!



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From: Betsy Day <b.day@cffredco.org>
Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 10:22 AM
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SHIP has been awarded \$66,002 for its New Project. If you have not already done so, please upload your project application into E-snaps by 4 pm, Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

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Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 1:52 PM

To: Betsy Day <b.day@cffredco.org>

Cc: Babette Baker <bar>
; Kenneth Oldham ; Marian Bland -MDH- ; Drennan, Sarah (Health/BHS) <; Mona Figueroa -MDH-; Drennan, Sarah (Health/BHS) <; Mona Figueroa -MDH-<a hr

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BHA has been awarded \$ \$314,000. If you have not already done so, please upload your project application into E-snaps by 4 pm, Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

Thank you!

Betsy

Elizabeth Y. Day

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President and CEO

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From: Betsy Day <b.day@cffredco.org>

Sent: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 10:22 AM

To: Ramenta Cottrell crottrell@cityoffrederickmd.gov>; Michele Ott <mbarton@cityoffrederickmd.gov>
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The City of Frederick-DHHS has been awarded \$135,000 for its Renewal Project and \$31,552 for it New Project. If you have not already done so, please upload your project application into E-snaps by 4 pm, Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

Thank you!



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| MD-509 Final Scores and Allocations FY-22 | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|-----|---------|-------------|---------------|---------|----------------|
| _ Applicant | Type of Program | New | Renewal | Request Per | Total Average | Ranking | Recommendation |
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| Dept of Housing and Human Services | Permanent Supportive Housing | | | \$163,304 | | | |
| | | | Х | | 34.00 | 1 | \$135,000 |
| Frederick Co Behavioral Health Authority | Permanent Supportive Housing | | | \$328,714 | | | |
| | | | х | | 32.00 | 2 | \$314,000 |
| Student Homelessness Initiative | Rapid Rehousing | | | \$264,040 | | | |
| | | х | | | 29.00 | 3 | \$66,002 |
| Dept of Housing and Human Services | Permanent Supportive Housing | | | \$86,011 | | | |
| | | х | | | 25.00 | 4 | \$31,552 |
| Friends for Neighborhood Progress | Permanent Supportive Housing | | | \$84,479 | | | |
| | | | х | | 21.00 | 5 | \$84,479 |
| Asian American Center | Permanent Supportive Housing | | | \$300,000 | | | |

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The Frederick County Coalition for the Homeless Approves its HUD's FY 2022 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Application

On Wednesday, September 28, 2022, the Frederick County Coalition for the Homeless approved its FY-22 Consolidated Application for the HUD Annual Continuum of Care Program.

The Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness; provide funding for efforts by nonprofit providers, and State and local governments to quickly rehouse homeless individuals and families while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused to homeless individuals, families, and communities by homelessness; promote access to and effect utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and optimize self-sufficiency among individuals and families experiencing homelessness. For the FY-22 program competition, HUD will allocate \$2.794 billion available to help communities fund homelessness services and programs during this year's competition.

A total of \$631,033 was awarded to five project applicants. Three were renewal-projects that had been previously funded and two new projects.

CoC awardees are:

City of Frederick-DHHS

Renewal

Permanent Supportive Housing

Maryland Department of Health, Behavioral Health Administration

Renewal

Permanent Supportive Housing

Student Homelessness Initiative Partnership of Frederick County

New

Rapid Rehousing

City of Frederick-DHHS

New

PSH-Supportive Services

Friends for Neighborhood Progress

Renewal

Permanent Supportive Housing

The FCCCC meets virtually at 2 p.m. on the last Wednesday of every month. Meetings are open to the public and each meeting will offer a specified time for public input. Voting is available only to members of the Board of Directors. Guests can receive a link to a FCCCC board meeting by contacting Joyce at jkwamena-poh@uwfrederick.org.